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For: Powder Supplying Apparatus...)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned patent application, kindly enter the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend Claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 14, 18, 19, 38, 39, 40, 44, 48, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 61, 62, 63 and 64, as follows.

3. A powder molding apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said molded article holding means are configured so as to hold by engaging said molded article with a engaging piece provided on said die.